



*Help us recognize outstanding small business
owners and champions in the business community*

2007 SBA SMALL BUSINESS AWARD

U.S. Small Business Administration

Do you know an exceptional small business person? Nominate a candidate for a SBA award by checking one or more award categories below and faxing or mailing the nominee/nominator information.

- ☐ **Small Business Person of the Year:** For developing an outstanding & growing business, innovative product(s), increasing jobs and sales, overcoming adversity, and community contributions.
- ☐ **Small Business Exporter of the Year:** Significantly increased export sales and profits, encouraging other firms to export, increasing jobs through exports, and innovative methods of creating markets.
- ☐ **Young Entrepreneur of the Year:** Owner will not reach 30th birthday by June 1, 2007, three-year evidence of success in sales and profits, increased jobs, innovative products, and demonstrated potential.
- ☐ **Family-Owned Small Business of the Year:** Business which has been passed on from one generation to another. Nominees must also serve as a majority owner and operator or bear principal responsibility for operating a small business with at least a 15-year track record.
- ☐ **Small Business Journalist:** Journalists who promote small business issues & contributions.

Phoenix Awards: Those individuals whose efforts and contributions enable their business or communities to recover successfully from a disaster.

- ☐ **Small Business Disaster Recovery:** Small business owner that received a SBA disaster loan to rebound successfully from physical damage suffered in a disaster during fiscal years 2005 and/or 2006.
- ☐ **Outstanding Contributions to Disaster Recovery:** Award open to private citizen, or state/local government official.

Small Business Champions of the Year: Those promoting small business through volunteering of time and service, and advocating the cause of small business. Champions do not have to be a small business owner.

- ☐ **Minority Small Business Champion:** Advances business ownership for minorities.
- ☐ **Women in Business Champion:** Increases business opportunities for women.
- ☐ **Veteran Small Business Champion:** Increases business opportunities for veterans.
- ☐ **Financial Services Champion:** Individuals helping businesses through efforts to increase their usefulness and availability of accounting or financial services.
- ☐ **Home-Based Business Champion:** Home-based business owners and/or individuals who have dedicated volunteer efforts to improve the climate for home-based businesses.

NOMINEE INFORMATION

I Nominate _____ Title: _____	
Company/Organization: _____	
Address: _____	
City: _____	Zip: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____
Email: _____	
Nominator Name: _____ Title: _____	
Company/Organization: _____	
Address: _____	
City: _____	Zip: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____
Email: _____	

Please fax to (228) 864-0179 or mail to: U. S. Small Business Administration, Attn.: Small Business Awards Committee, 1636 Popp's Ferry Road, Suite 203, Biloxi, MS 39532

Feel free to copy and/or distribute this form to your colleagues for additional nominations. **Completed nomination material must be received by close of business on Friday, November 17, 2006 to be considered.** For more information, please contact Gary Reed at (228) 863-4625.